

### Single Replacement Reactions

*metal*  
 $A + BC \rightarrow B + AC$  if A is a metal  
 Or  
 $A + BC \rightarrow C + BA$  if C is a non-metal  
*nonmetal*

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### 3 Single-Replacement Reaction

**General Equation:**  $T + RS \rightarrow TS + R$

**Reactants:** An element and a compound  
 In a single-replacement reaction, an element replaces another element from a compound in aqueous solution. For a single-replacement reaction to occur, the element that is displaced must be less active than the element that is doing the displacing.

**Probable Products:** A different element and a new compound

**Example:** Potassium in water



$2K(s) + 2H_2O(l) \rightarrow 2KOH(aq) + H_2(g)$

*Ex:*  
 $K(s) + HOH(l) \rightarrow KOH(aq) + H_2(g)$

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### Double Replacement Reactions

$AB + CD \rightarrow CB + AD$   
*metal*

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### 4 Double-Replacement Reaction

**General Equation:**  $R^+ S^- + T^+ U^- \rightarrow R^+ U^- + T^+ S^-$

**Reactants:** Two ionic compounds  
 In a double-replacement reaction, two ionic compounds react by exchanging cations to form two different compounds.

**Probable Products:** Two new compounds  
 Double-replacement reactions are driven by the formation of a precipitate, a gaseous product, or water.

**Example:** Reaction of aqueous solutions of barium chloride and potassium carbonate



$K_2CO_3(aq) + BaCl_2(aq) \rightarrow 2KCl(aq) + BaCO_3(s)$

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 $Ca^{2+}(aq) + C_2O_4^{2-}(aq) \rightarrow CaC_2O_4(s)$

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